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There is levied and imposed an additional tax at the rate of ~~1 mill~~ 2 mills per pound of fresh fruit on all blueberries grown, purchased, sold, handled or processed in this State.

Sec. 3. 36 MRSA § 4306, as amended by PL 1977, c. 533, § 2, is further amended to read:

§ 4306. Tax deducted from purchase price

Each processor or shipper, purchasing blueberries and paying or becoming liable to pay the tax imposed by section 4303, shall charge and collect from the seller a tax at the rate of ~~2~~ 3 mills per pound, to be deducted from the purchase price of all blueberries subject to the tax so purchased by such processor or shipper.

Sec. 4. 36 MRSA § 4307, next to last sentence, as amended by PL 1977, c. 533, § 3, is further amended to read:

With said report, each processor or shipper shall forward payment of the tax at the rate of ~~3~~ 5 mills per pound upon all blueberries so reported as sold or purchased.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective June 8, 1979

CHAPTER 393

H. P. 737 — L. D. 924

AN ACT Concerning the Coordination of Health Services Funded Through the State and Federal Funds.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

22 MRSA § 255 is enacted to read:

§ 255. Coordination of health services funded through the state and federal funds

1. **Findings and declaration of legislative intent.** The Legislature finds that the costs of health care and services provided by health care facilities are matters of vital concern to the people of this State and have a direct relationship to the ability of the people to obtain necessary health care.

The Legislature further finds that the coordination of health services in a

geographic area within an existing health facility, where practicable, increases both access and quantity of services provided and increases the likelihood costs for these services will be reasonable.

It is the intent of the Legislature to define a policy for the Department of Human Services in order that health services paid for by state and federal funds be coordinated through existing health facilities whenever possible.

2. Coordination of health services. To assure equal access to and to avoid the unnecessary duplication of administrative systems, of health services and of health care facilities, the Department of Human Services shall, to the extent practicable, assure that health services funded or provided under the United States Social Security Act, Title V, ESPDT of Title XIX and Title XX, as amended, the United States Public Health Services Act, Section 314 D of Title III, as amended, the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Special Supplemental Food Program of the United States Child Nutrition Act of 1966, or its successor, the United States Older Americans Act, ASPDT of Title III, as amended, shall be provided through agreements with an existing health facility as long as quality of care is maintained.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 394

S. P. 374 — L. D. 1154

AN ACT to Clarify the Statutory Requirements for Issuance of Maine Guides Licenses.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

12 MRSA § 2053, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th paragraphs, as amended, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

Any person wishing to be licensed as a Maine guide shall submit an application on such forms as the commissioner may provide. All persons who have not held a guide's license prior to January 1, 1980 shall be required to pass an examination as directed by the board of examiners.

A board of examiners for the licensing of guides shall consist of: The commissioner or such subordinate officer of the department as the commissioner may designate; 2 wardens of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; and a representative of the public to be appointed by the Governor for a term of 3 years. The public member shall receive no compensation, but shall be reimbursed by the department for actual expenses incurred in carrying out his duties, at the same rate as provided for state employees. Examinations shall be held in areas